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For: DRIVER STRUCTURE OF STAPLER)		

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(4)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b)(4), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449 and in addition to the documents cited in the PTO-1449s filed on August 10 and August 18, 2006. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under § 1.114. Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration of relevant portions thereof by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

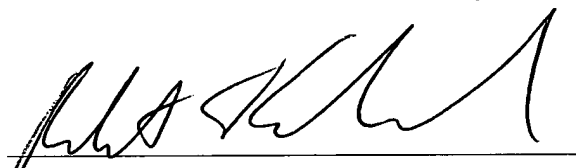
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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees in connection with the filing of this statement to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305.

Respectfully submitted,

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